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WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

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1. A method for operating a track management system, said method comprising the steps of:

providing a COTS application server capable of receiving data in a Java Two
Enterprise Edition (J2EE) compliant protocol;

generating data representing target information, and communicating said data to said COTS application server in the form of a Java Two Enterprise Edition (J2EE) compliant protocol;

providing a plurality of computer processing arrangements, each of which is capable of processing Java;

in said application server,

processing said J2EE compliant data with a

plurality of Enterprise Java Beans software

components, establishing those of said computer

processing arrangements in which said data is

processed;

providing said J2EE compliant data to the selected ones of said computer processing arrangements, for thereby generating processed data; and

25 providing said processed data to a user.

2. A method for operating a track management system, said method comprising the steps of:

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arrangement capable of receiving data in a Java
Two Enterprise Edition (J2EE) compliant
protocol;

generating data representing target information, and communicating said data to said COTS application server in the form of a Java Two Enterprise Edition (J2EE) compliant protocol;

providing a computer processing arrangement which is capable of processing J2EE compliant software components;

in said application server arrangement, processing said J2EE compliant data with one of (a) an Enterprise Java Bean software component arrangement and (b) a Corba software component arrangement to establish those of said computer processing arrangements in which said data is processed;

providing said J2EE compliant data to the selected ones of said computer processing arrangements, for thereby generating processed data; and

providing said processed data to a user.